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MEMORANDUM

TO: MLDS Governing Board
FROM: Ross Goldstein
DATE: June 3, 2019
SUBJECT: Research and Output Plan

Purpose

The Center's *Research and Output Plan* for fiscal year 2019-2020 is a list of the priority topics and required reports that will be the focus of the Center's research and reporting output over the next year.

Background

The Center's work is broadly guided by the Research Agenda, which is approved by the Governing Board. The agenda is useful in setting the parameters of the subjects the Center should be working on, but it does not identify the specific priorities or required output that the Center intends to work on over a given period of time. This *Research and Output Plan* fills that gap by identifying the required reports and other research and output priorities that the Center plans to address in the next fiscal year. Realistically, not all of the output priorities will be fully completed in the next fiscal year. Some priority areas will require extended time to complete. Other priority areas may be deferred if critical data requests are received from key stakeholders or other unforeseen priorities arise.

To develop this plan, staff received input from the Research and Policy Advisory Board, reviewed various state policy and planning documents, and reviewed past data requests and topics of interest to identify research and output priorities.

Action

Review and comment.